Dual Subjection of Sindh Muslims

MUSLIM SALVATION LIES IN UNITY

Moulana Nazir Ahmed Chaudhry, Vice-President, Calcutta District Muslim League, has issued the following statement:—

"The startling statement of K. B. Allah Bux, the Prime Minister of Sindh complaining against the repeated interference of the Governor in the work and policy of the Ministry, contains more than one revelation. But the interesting part of the Sindh Premier's statement contains the confession of the fact that the Governor did also interfere in the work and policy of the Congress Ministeries but the Governors where foiled in their interference because the Congress Party in the legislatures of the Congress provinces was very powerful and well-organized, while the party behind the Sindh Premier was not powerful.

"Why the party behind Mr. Allah Bux in Sindh could not be made so well-knit, well-organized and powerful as to save him from the over-ruling power of the Governor is a pertinent question. The reasons are obvious. Mr. Allah Bux is directly responsible for this weakness of his party and the powerlessness of his ministory. It was the selfish policy and machinations of Mr. Allah Bux which has broken Muslim solidarity in Sindh Legislature and put the 75% Muslim majority of the province under the dual overlordship of the British Governor at Karachi and the Bania dictator at Wardha. Instead of organizing the Muslims in the Sindh Legislature and the Sindh province to stand on their feet under the Muslim League banner Mr. Allah Bux has allied himself heart and soul with the capitalist Banias and Mahajans whose class interest are dimetrically opposed to the interests of the overwhelming majority of the people of Sindh, including the Muslim labourers, workers and peasants.

"Mr. Allah Bux is complaining of the interference of the British Governor but he conveniently ignores the fact that his ministry is equally overruled and dominated by orders and overtures from Patel and Gandhi By dividing Muslims and breaking their solidarity he has made his ministry entirely dependent upon the whims of the Congress Junta of Wardha. His frequent pilgrimage to Wardha and to Sardar Patel proves that for every single item of his policy and work he is to depend upon the support of the ten Congress members of the Sindh Assembly. On the other hand he knows well that the vast majority of Sindh Muslims are opposed to his ministry which has been foisted on Sindh only by the Congress for Congress purposes. For the sake of his own personal aggrandisement and premiership he has sold the integrity and interests of not only the 75 per cent Muslim majority of Sindh but brought his

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province as a whole under the dual subjection to the British and the Bania, nullifying the independence and autonomy of Sindh for which the whole of Muslim India fought so hard and which was so bitterly opposed by the Congressite Hindus to the last.

"The one lesson to be learnt by the Muslims of the Muslim majority Provinces—the Punjab, the Frontier, Sindh and Bengal—is that their salvation lies in their organization and solidarity under the banner of the All-India Muslim League. To depend upon the British *bania* or the Hindu *bania* is to court disaster and commit national suicide. The Muslims must gain their feet and stand erect in face of all to deserve real respect and command real power. They must create popular sanction and popular mass organization at the back of their party.

"The British Governor of Sind and the Banias of Wardha know it well that Allah Bux has no power in the country and that he has no real mass organization behind his back and if an appeal is made to the electorate, he is most likely to be thrown out of power. He may even lose his own seat.

"Such a man can be exploited by other powerful parties for their own ends but he himself cannot cammand real power and respect, for he has none."

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Muslims. The close contact of the Hindus and the Muslims for the last one thousand years has failed to effect a fusion of their respective cultures. How long more does he propose to wait, holding up the emancipation of the entire sub-continent all the time, till that happy or unhappy consummation is reached? Despite a few misguided Muslim faces putting on Gandhi cap, and a *kurta* there is little in common between Hindu and Muslim cultures.

Jinnah Day Celebrated All Over India

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At Gujrat

A public meeting of the Musalmans of Gujrat City (Punjab) was held on December 25 to celebrate the birthday of the Qa'id-e-Azam. Tributes were paid to his character and leadership by the leading citizens. Resolutions expressing full confidence in his leadership and reiterating the demand of Pakistan were passed. Prayers were offered for long life of Qa'id-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, the accredited leader of the Musalmans of India.

At Malerkotla

The State Muslim League, Malerkotla, celebrated Mr. Jinnah's birthday by holding public meetings on December 25 last. Ghazi Mahmud Dharampal delivered an excellent speech in exposition of the political creed of the Muslim League and about the personality and the message of the Qa'id-e-Azam Jinnah, Mr. Akhtar and Mr. Kifayatullah also addressed the meetings. These meetings were very largely attended and drewforth appreciative response from the audiences with regard to the principles of the Muslim League and impressed upon the general public the greatness of our great leader, the Qa'id-e-Azam. A special feature of these celebrations was that non-Muslims also participated in them in large numbers.

Resolutions requesting the State authorities to concede the demands of the State Muslims regarding their proportion in State services and urging the Government of India to release Allama Mashriqi without delay were adopted at a general meeting of the State Muslim League.

At Melvisharam

The Muslims of Melvisharam, celeberated the birthday of Qa'id-e-Azam Jinnah on December 25. The Musalmans responded by gathering in large numbers and felcitated the Qa'ide-Azam on the happy occasion. They also unanimously expressed their full faith in the leadership of the Qa'id-e-Azam and also appreciated the action taken by him against Mr. Fazlul Huq and others.

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